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Waverly votes 'No' on tax

by Sarah Speltz
Staff Writer

For now, Waverly is still without an indoor recreation center. But those in favor of the project haven't given up yet.

Voters defeated the 1 percent tax increase that would have funded a multi-million dollar Indoor Wellness/Recreation Center for Waverly and surrounding communities in Tuesday's special election.

"It was more of a vote against the taxes than against a rec center."

—Gary Grace
athletic director

In Waverly, 2,742 of 5,665 registered voters went to the polls.

Residents defeated the local option sales tax, with 1,077 voting yes and 1,664 voters saying no. One ballot was left blank.

Waverly Parks and Recreation Director Tab Ray said he thought voter turnout was outstanding, but he said he was disappointed at the results of the election.

"I still think the rec center is an

important need for the community," said Ray.

If the tax had been approved, 100 percent of the revenue would have been allocated for constructing, equipping and maintaining community recreation facilities, with the proposed Indoor Wellness/Recreation Center as first priority.

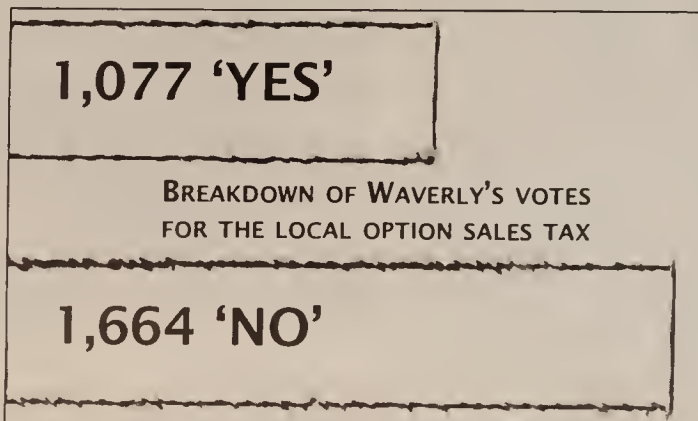
"I voted, and I voted yes," said freshman Nate Stoltman. "I thought it would be a really good asset for the Waverly community. I don't really understand why the community put it down," said Stoltman.

Wartburg College Athletics Director Gary Grace said he was disappointed by the election results.

"If we would have had time to educate people ... they might have thought differently," said Grace. "It was more of a vote against taxes than against a rec center."

The defeat of the Indoor Wellness/Recreation Center in Tuesday's vote means not only will the Waverly community be without a facility, but Wartburg's Physical Education Center will be under continued stress.

The college doesn't want to



PUSH FOR REC CENTER FAILS—Waverly voters turned down a local option sales tax by a margin of nearly three to two. In total, more than 2,700 registered voters in Waverly cast their ballots in last week's special election.

close its doors to the community, according to Grace, but if the community continues to put increased use on the facility, Wartburg will have to limit the public's access even more.

"Interest in exercise among students is high," Grace said, and number one priority has to be to the students.

Diana Busch, a junior, said, "Having an indoor pool would be very beneficial to Waverly, but the other facilities that would be

offered are already in the community."

Grace said he was surprised more Wartburg students didn't vote in the election. "Students have always been a part of this community," said Grace.

The proposed recreation center would have included a swimming pool, gymnasiums, an elevated walking and jogging track, a weightlifting/cardiovascular fitness room, a climbing wall, a family wellness center, a drop-in

child care and a teen/senior social activity room.

Busch said she thought the main reason Waverly residents voted against the proposal was not because of the tax increase, but because of membership costs for the facility itself.

"The rec center seemed like it would be somewhat of an elitist club because of the high membership fee. That's probably a major reason why people voted no," said Busch.

Although current plans for financing the new facility were defeated in Tuesday's vote, there are other options available, according to Ray.

"The committee will meet again next week to plan some alternative financing," he said.

"If we wait too long, we may have to rethink the design," Ray said.

The current recreation center proposal has a price tag of \$5.7 million, but, according to Ray, next year it might be a \$6 million design because costs go up.

Another option the committee may consider is to phase the pro-

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Alcohol policy: money maker, but effective?

by Aaron Horman
and Lisa Smith
Staff Writer and
Asst. News Editor

Nineteen students were fined for violating the alcohol policy last term, according to Director of Residential Life Pete Armstrong. These violations fell under a sanction added to the policy last fall charging students \$35 for their first offense.

Over \$700 has been collected from the fines, according to Armstrong.

That money was distributed to SMART (Sexual Misconduct Awareness Resource Team), AWARE (Alcohol Wisdom and Real Education) and Campus Ministry's human-needs fund, he said.

"Students need to speak up if there is a problem. The college wants to treat students as adults and does not want to go door-to-door looking for problems."

—Pete Armstrong
director of residential life

Each organization received approximately \$200.

Six of the 19 students charged were required to attend a two-hour alcohol education course after being charged for a second offense, according to Armstrong.

The policy change from last year was brought about from an interest on the part of students, said Armstrong.

Last year, first-time offenders were sent to a six-hour alcohol education course. Armstrong said student reaction was not good, so the decision was made to add the fines.

Armstrong said he is not sure if the fines are a good idea.

"If drinking is a problem, the idea is to change that. We're an educational institution," said Armstrong.

Armstrong compares alcohol violations to speeding. He says people still speed after a speeding ticket.

"Paying a fine doesn't get you to change. Why do we think that will happen with alcohol?" asked Armstrong.

"There is more drinking going on than we [residential life staff] are aware of," said Armstrong.

"It just happens that the people not caught didn't draw as much attention to themselves or just got lucky," he said.

Armstrong said the number of students charged is "slightly lower" than previous years.

Dan Wardell, resident assistant (RA) on Hebron three, said he hasn't seen many violations on his floor. He attributed this to the floor's large freshman population.

Armstrong said alcohol use is "sometimes just not discovered."

"Students need to speak up if there is a problem. The college wants to treat students as adults and does not want to go



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ALCOHOL POLICY FINES VIOLATORS—Although Wartburg's alcohol policy fines students \$35 for their first offense, many feel that underage drinking is still a problem. Nineteen students paid the price during fall term.

door-to-door looking for problems," said Armstrong.

Many students nationwide think drinking is a dilemma. A recent article in *The Des Moines Register* said a growing number of college students are bothered by alcohol use on campus.

However, the students are often reluctant to do anything because they feel they are a minority.

"If people understand and know the consequences, and if the policy is enforced by RAs, then it is effective," said freshman Luther Bartelt. "If alcohol use hasn't decreased, then the policy needs to be enforced more."

"People are going to drink regardless of fines," said junior RA Amy Smith.

She said the current policy punishes those who don't drink.

"Responsible students under age 21 can't hang out with older friends who enjoy drinking socially, without fear of being written up," said Smith.

SMART will use the funds for programs on alcohol and drug issues, as well as dating violence prevention, said adviser Sharon Snider.

AWARE leader Katie McCann said the group plans to simulate a car accident scene on campus next fall.

The Campus Ministry human-needs fund helps students in emergency situations, according to Campus Pastor Larry Trachte. He said the fund helped two students get home for Christmas.

Pick-15 plan: fair trade?

by Stephanie Robbins
News Editor

Some students are upset with food service's Pick-15 option, which requires participants to miss five meals a week in exchange for 67 points that can be used like cash in the Den and the cafeteria.

What troubles some Pick-15 participants is the amount of points they are getting back. They say the five cheapest meals of the week, any five breakfast meals worth about \$2 each, total nearly \$200 every semester.

That sum pales in comparison to the 67 points currently offered to students, said senior Jamie Bleess.

"If Wartburg is really the character-building college it says it is, I would hope that it would give me all my money back for the meals I don't eat. I'm on Pick-15, and I think it's a rip-off," said Bleess.

Food Service Director Don Juhl has heard students' complaints and confusion before.

"It's very difficult to explain, yet it's quite simple at the same time. In any particular program, an assumption is made that a student will eat approximately 75 percent of those meals, and that assumption is made on every college campus. That's called an absentee factor, and it's built into the price.

"If you ask us to give you a break in the cost of the board plan, the first thing we're going to do is take away the absentee factor. Even with the student who is on full board, and probably 30 to 40 percent of the student



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PICK-15 POINTS A GOOD PERK—A student uses her ID card to pay for Den food with points. By eating only 15 meals a week, students receive 67 points, which have the same value as \$67 when used in either the Den or the cafeteria. Some students think more money should be refunded to Pick-15 participants.

body stays on full board, we assume he's only going to eat 75 percent of those meals. In essence, he's only eating 15 meals, which the Pick-15 student assumes he's buying and paying full price for," Juhl said.

The Pick-15 program came in the early 1990s as a result of student interest, Juhl said. "There was conversation for about two years as we polled and visited other schools, comparing their programs," he said.

Other options were explored, but Juhl said those plans didn't allow for much flexibility.

"At least 10 percent of students at Wartburg are student teachers, have

field experiences and are in off-campus study programs. Pick-15 allowed them to pick meals that fit their schedules," said Juhl.

Many schools use a declining balance meal plan, which lets students deposit money into a meal account. Each time a student eats a meal, the cost is debited out of the account.

Juhl noted problems with a declining balance plan. "With declining balance, items are going to be priced more like you would find at a restaurant. You would have to discipline yourself

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Campus briefs

SPECIAL GUESTS ENRICH CAMPUS

GRAVEN AWARD — A ceremony to honor this year's Graven Award recipient will be held in the Wartburg Chapel tomorrow at 7:30 p.m.

Anne Kanten is being honored for her contributions to church, community and society. Kanten, who farms with her husband in Minnesota, served as a farm policy lobbyist in Washington, D.C. and played a large part in developing the Minnesota Farm Advocate Program, which helped farmers survive the farm crisis of the 1980s.

The Graven Award, being presented for the ninth year, is made possible by a gift from the late Judge Henry Graven and his wife Helen, who were both active with church and the community.

FUTURES CONVOCATION — The Futures Project Convocation will present Dr. Robert Costanza, president of the International Society for Ecological Economics and a zoology professor at the University of Maryland, College Park.

He has authored 11 books and more than 200 scientific papers concerning ecological economics. Costanza will speak tomorrow at 9:30 a.m. in Neumann Auditorium on the topic of "Using Envisioning to Design a Sustainable and Desirable Future in the Presence of Irreducible Uncertainty."

SCIENCE SEMINAR — Kanten and Costanza will both present in a science seminar, BI/CH/PHY 461, tonight from 7 to 8:30. The theme is "People active in the environment."

Both Kanten and Costanza are available to visit with classes and interact with the campus today and tomorrow morning.

STUDENTS OFFER TAX ASSISTANCE

If federal and state income tax returns cause nightmares, have no fear. Wartburg senior accounting majors are offering free help to anyone wanting assistance with their tax returns.

Students will be available at the Waverly Public Library from 3 to 5 p.m. on Tuesdays, and in Room 101 of the Whitehouse Business Center from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. on Wednesdays. The services will be available until April 8.

GRE INFORMATION FORUM

A student and professor panel will answer questions and address concerns about upcoming GREs for students preparing for graduate school. The forum will be in the East Room at 7 p.m. Feb. 9.

CUNA GIVES \$80,000 TO LIBRARY

Wartburg College has received an \$80,000 gift from CUNA Mutual Life Insurance Company to support the library renovation project.

So far, \$5.54 million has been gathered for the \$8.9 million cost of the remodeling. Completion of the project could be as early as August 1999 if groundbreaking begins this May.

MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY CELEBRATION

Felicia Smith, left, and the Gospel Choir, below, participated in the Martin Luther King, Jr., Day event at the Wartburg Chapel Monday night. Speaker John Harris shared his thoughts of what the slain civil rights movement leader might do today if he were alive.



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Winter enrollment decline above normal level

by Chris Knudson
Staff Writer

Even with record enrollments, 45 students withdrew from Wartburg College after Fall Term.

Dr. Edith Waldstein, associate dean for academic affairs and registrar, said there were also six leaves of absence and 15 students suspended.

"Although these numbers seem high," said Waldstein, "they really are quite typical, percentage wise, when compared with past years."

According to Fall and Winter Term enrollment reports, a record number of students enrolled at Wartburg. Fall Term recorded 1,528 students and Winter Term 1,436.

"When I compared this winter with last

winter, I found that Wartburg's head count was raised by 55 people," she added.

"Although these numbers seem high, they really are quite typical."

— Dr. Edith Waldstein
associate dean for
academic affairs

According to Waldstein, Wartburg's equivalent of full time and part time students has increased by 56 persons this year.

Waldstein stated students may have decided to formally withdraw when they saw how poorly they were doing in their classes or because of financial reasons.

"However, this doesn't mean we don't have an obligation to make a determination about their academic standing," she said.

The campus community sees different reasons why students may decide to leave.

"I think Wartburg is a great place. I don't see why people would leave unless they were forced to by the college or because of financial reasons," said freshman Travis Graven.

Freshman Erin Hetrick said, "A friend of mine left Wartburg because she felt that she was not ready to deal with the stress of college life."

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ject, starting with the construction of an indoor pool and adding other parts as funds become available.

Ray said it would be more expensive to complete the project that way.

"The other option is to try to scale down the design," said Grace.

Although Waverly voters defeated the tax, three cities in Bremer County did pass it.

Tripoli, Sumner and Fredrika residents approved the tax convincingly.

Revenues from the tax in these cities would have gone to other community projects such as street repairs, bridge maintenance and renovation of county and public buildings.

Scholarship days blitz admissions

by Chris Knudson
Staff Writer

Students from 13 states and two foreign countries will visit Wartburg College for Regents and Presidential Scholarship Days.

Wartburg held a Regents Scholarship Day last weekend and will hold another Feb. 1. A Presidential Scholarship Day will host competitors Feb. 15.

"Last year there were 395 Regents scholars and 233 Presidential scholars representing 15 states," said Doug Bowman, Wartburg's director of admissions.

Bowman also said, "So far this year, we have students from 13 states, Italy and Cyprus."

According to Bowman, 40 to 45 percent of Regents Day partici-

pants and 50 to 55 percent of Presidential scholars decide to attend Wartburg.

"Seventy-three percent of last year's first-year students were Regents or Presidential scholars," said Bowman.

Wartburg gives over \$3 million every year to prospective students.

Although money is not the sole reason students choose Wartburg, the college tries to make the costs of living affordable for students wishing to further their education.

"Since financing my education is solely my responsibility, the Regents scholarship I received deeply influenced my decision to attend Wartburg College," said Regents scholar Cameron Henneke, a freshman.



UNFAMILIAR FACES — Students singing with the Meistersinger honor choir are just a few of more than 600 students visiting campus this month.

"The atmosphere at Wartburg was comfortable and fit my personality. This was more of a factor in my decision," freshman Regents scholar Luther Bartelt said.

To be a Regents scholar, a student must have an ACT score of at least 28 (1240 SAT), or rank in the top 10 percent of their class.

Presidential scholars must score at least 25 on the ACT (1140 SAT), or

rank in the top 20 percent of their class, but they need a grade point average of 3.5 or above.

Each student who attends a scholarship day must have a personal interview with a Wartburg faculty member, a student and an alumni of Wartburg College.

In addition, every student writes an essay in the time allotted during the day.

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Compared to similar meal programs at colleges in the area, Juhl said Wartburg gives the most back through its point system.

Luther College offers its students a similar points plan, according to Luther's dining services office. By opting to eat 14 meals a week, students get 66 dining dollars that can be used in any on-campus dining facility.

A full board meal plan costs \$1,925 per semester at Luther. Wartburg students pay \$2,150 for 20 meals a week.

The University of Northern Iowa food services said students can eat 20 meals a week for \$934 each semester. The alternative plan is

\$909 for 14 meals a week.

Not all Wartburg students think Pick-15 is a dirty deal.

"I think it's a great program. I don't eat 20 meals a week anyway, so I'm happy to get some money back. It works well for me, and I like having points to use in the Den," said sophomore Graham Schardt.

The money students pay for board at Wartburg doesn't just cover the cost of meals. "Salaries, insurances and utilities are all part of it," said Juhl.

Students have always been adept at voicing concerns about food service, Juhl said. Food service wants to do what's best for students and is open to suggestions, he said.

"Maybe the institution needs to address the formula it's using, and possibly allow a little bit more into that," said Juhl.

CORRECTIONS & CLARIFICATIONS

In the Jan. 19 edition of the *Trumpet*, a story on page two titled "New MIDI lab updates department" incorrectly stated the lab was in the Fine Arts Center room 213 and the lab's software would be updated every five years.

The lab is located in the Fine Arts Center room 210 and the software will be updated every year while the hardware will be updated every five years.

The *Trumpet* regrets the error.

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Editorial

White House scandal tarnishing presidency

President Bill Clinton is accustomed to controversy.

Even during his campaign to unseat incumbent president George Bush, allegations of an affair with Gennifer Flowers made him look like an unlikely candidate for the nation's highest office.

During his first term, subsequent re-election and first part of his second term, scandals and allegations swirled around the White House: shady real estate deals in Whitewater, sexual harassment of Paula Jones, the suicide of Deputy Council Vince Foster.

This past week's scandal, however, seems to have surpassed all of these prior incidents in seriousness, media scrutiny and public consternation and conversation.

Monica Lewinsky, 24, is a former White House intern alleged to have had an affair with Clinton three years ago. In addition, the president supposedly asked Lewinsky to lie about the nature of their relationship, even if she were under oath.

Lewinsky herself didn't come forward with these allegations; her friend Linda Tripp taped conversations the two women had, then handed the tapes over to Whitewater independent counsel Kenneth Starr. On the tapes, Lewinsky is said to discuss in detail an 18-month sexual relationship with Clinton.

When this story broke, the public outcry was immediate. This is the first time Clinton has been accused of misconduct that occurred while in the White House. (The other alleged incidents took place when he was governor of Arkansas.) Furthermore, Lewinsky was young and new to Washington, D.C. when she and Clinton reportedly began their relationship. Many observers are questioning the morality of the president, not only for beginning an affair, but for being involved with a woman close in age to his own daughter, Chelsea.

More damaging to Clinton are Lewinsky's assertions that he asked her to lie about their relationship. If this is true, it's an obstruction of justice and perjury, which are the same felonies that brought Richard Nixon's presidency to a shameful, early end. It shows an utter lack of respect for the government's judicial branch.

While no one should rush to condemn the president until all the facts are in, one can hardly help but consider the negative effects this most recent scandal will have — not just on Bill Clinton, but on the presidency itself.

Clinton's political future looks grim right now. He continues to be the butt of jokes on late night talk shows and in political cartoons and opinion columns across the country, as well as the object of scorn from all sides. Does this speak well for the presidency?

We as a country do not elect superhumans to lead us. We do not expect them to be infallible. However, we do expect them to behave in a decent, moral fashion.

Asking our president to avoid situations that could lead to ugly headlines and nasty speculations is not unreasonable. Many men are unfaithful to their wives, but this is not an excuse for Clinton (or anyone else, for that matter) to behave in the same fashion.

As head of state and America's delegate to the rest of the world, the president is expected to conduct himself with dignity. This furor surrounding the president's latest scandal is the farthest thing from being dignified.

Hopefully the office of the president will weather this tempest intact. The fate of Bill Clinton remains to be seen.

Bonfire leads to roll in manure

Although I've never been on a sinking ship, I could relate to some of what happened during James Cameron's *Titanic*. Perhaps the strongest thing I could relate to was the panic the passengers experienced when they realized their ship was going down.

Panic makes you do dumb things. Panic makes you do irrational things.

In this week's story from my childhood, panic made me do something *really* dumb and *really* irrational ...

As a kid, it was always difficult to have friends over. Since my mom had a flawless memory, she did not quickly forget the terror caused during the previous times I had brought friends home.

Chemistry sets exploding, prank phone calls and the disappearance of farm cats just seemed to fill mom with distrust.

Thankfully, every three months she would relax and allow me to have a friend over.

My friend of choice was always Joel Sieck.

On the night that irrationality led me astray, Joel came up with the idea to build a bonfire. Mom just laughed at us when we asked for her permission.



Dan
Wardell

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**A Whole Lot
of Spankings'**

"Under NO circumstances will you be building a bonfire tonight or any night," Mom said.

Later, we snuck out and did it anyway.

In order to not let our fire be seen, we ran about half a mile from the house to the rock pile.

The rock pile was this huge pile of junk, dead trees, and, of course, rocks. It was the perfect place to start a fire, and so we did.

As you might expect, the fire got out of hand, and we spent an hour extinguishing the flames.

Walking back to the house, we realized two things. First, my mom was right. Grade school kids should not build fires.

The second thing I realized: we smelled like chimneys. Mom was going to find out what we had done for sure.

Panic set in and began to build with every step closer to my mom.

We had to get rid of the smell. We were just about home, and we were desperate.

Then, with a "moo" from one of our farm cows, irrationality slapped me with what seemed to be the greatest of ideas.

In order to get rid of the smoke smell, we had to cover it up with another smell ...

And so we crawled into the cow pen with one simple intention: to cover ourselves in manure.

It only took about five minutes to coat ourselves. We were very efficient. We found that if we lay down and rolled in it, maximum coverage was easily achieved.

As we walked up to the house, I felt the bittersweet taste of something other than manure.

It was the taste of a grave mistake.

My mom came out of the house just as we approached it, but in the dark she could not quite see that we were dripping.

She could, however, smell something in the air, and the first thing she said was, "Have you boys been smoking?"

Joel and I got a whole lot of spankings' for that escapade ... after a shower of course.

About Face

What is your reaction to Tuesday's local option sales tax vote?



People who were in favor of the rec center still had questions about it. It just didn't surprise me.

—Julie Breutzmann
Wartburg administrative
computing consultant



I believe that it probably needed some more study because I don't believe there are a lot of people in the Waverly area that can afford a \$300 family membership.

—Darla Troutman
Wartburg mailroom coordinator



I think the one cent optional tax is a good idea, but it seems to me that the people in Waverly didn't want to pay for this for 15 years. That is kind of long and drawn out.

—Penny Sund
Wartburg photography coordinator



I can understand why people voted against it, but I still think it's a good idea. Maybe they should scale it down and just go for a pool.

—Sarah Luhrs
sophomore

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Bloomberg wrestles Regents memories

'Tis the season for high school scholarship days!

Last weekend, during Regents Scholarship Day, I sat in Buhr Lounge at the Communication Arts table and explained to all of the interested Regents scholars why Wartburg College is the right place for them.

I answered the electronic media questions, Professor Lil Junas answered the print questions, and we just sort of looked at each other for the answer when a public relations question arose.

Actually, I enjoyed myself. I was very tempted to make up things about Wartburg because I thought it would be funny, but alas, I did not give in to my temptation. Some of the prospective students had very good questions. However, often times it was the parents asking the questions while the kids sat by.

I can remember way back to the winter of 1995 when I was a senior in high school and came to Wartburg for the Regents Scholarship competition.

Looking back, I couldn't tell you who I talked to in my interview, what my essay question was about, or what we had for



John
Bloomberg

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Dear John

dinner that day. I don't really remember very much about that day, but there are two things that I do remember very vividly.

One, I was very sick. I missed three or four days of school prior to the scholarship day and I felt terrible that day as well. I was eating cold medicine like it was candy and was constantly sucking on a cough drop.

I don't want to know what the people interviewing me thought of my condition. I had snot running out of my nose and was jabbering nonsense (it was the medicine talking).

The other thing I remember about that day happened during the awards ceremony in the Chapel. At the end of the day all of the high schoolers were lined up waiting to get our Regents Day medals. All I wanted to do was go home and go to sleep because I was so sick.

When my name was called I went to the front of the Chapel, got my medal and went back and sat down with my mom. As I was watching the rest of the kids get their medals, I noticed they were all shaking President Vogel's hand. I sure didn't remember shaking his hand, but then again I had a fever and didn't remember doing a lot of things that day.

"I don't remember shaking the president's hand," I said to my mom.

"You didn't," she replied. "He held his hand out to you, but you walked right by him."

Ugh, did I feel like an idiot. I didn't even notice his hand.

For weeks I was sure that was going to cost me any decent scholarship. The board was going to remember that incident and think that I thought I was too good to shake President Vogel's hand.

The truth is that I didn't know what was going on, I just wanted to go to bed.

Everything turned out fine in the end for me. I guess the lesson is ... well ... actually, I'm not sure what the lesson is, but I thought it would make a good story.

From college to career

by Sarah Speltz
Staff Writer

Have you thought about what you are going to do when you enter the "real world" after graduation?

Jaime Bleess, Todd Nelson and Heather Shafland are three seniors involved in the same job-searching process as many other seniors and some juniors at Wartburg College.

Jaime Bleess is a religion major with a youth ministry concentration and a Spanish minor.

When he graduates in May, he will begin a position as director of youth and family ministries at St. Paul's Church in Red Wing, Minn. He and his fiancé, Molly Kamm, '96, will be married June 27.

Things all fell into place at the same time, but Bleess said it took a lot of time and experience to get where he is now.

"When I came here, there were a lot of things I was interested in, but there wasn't just one thing I was interested in," said Bleess.

He said he changed majors many times before he was certain about what he wanted to focus on.

"I jumped into opportunities that sounded fun," said Bleess. He added that there is value in exploring one's interests and said he encouraged it.



Heather Simpson/TRUMPET

SMILING AT SUCCESS—Jaime Bleess will work as a youth director in Red Wing, Minn., in June.

Bleess gained experience traveling with the Wartburg Choir and participating in a May Term urban ministry trip to New York. He also had an internship at American Lutheran Church in Grundy Center, Iowa, for two years.

"I decided my junior year that I wanted to get an internship," said Bleess. "I needed a place to get experience."

Bleess said that internships and other experiences in your area of interest help in figuring out what you want to spend time doing after graduation. He said it also helps to make a person well-rounded and provides experience to build on.

Bleess said he began his job search in early November and worked every day until the beginning of December, revising his resume and cover letter, submitting applications and setting up interviews.

In terms of finding job openings, Bleess said, "The Internet was a really good source for me." He said he could e-mail his resume to employers through the Internet because "they might want the resume in two days."

Bleess said he took his resume to Wartburg's Career Development Center (CDC) to be critiqued before submitting applications to churches all over the Midwest. "I got three interviews. One of them was in Red Wing," said Bleess.

"We wanted to move to Minnesota, and we really liked Red Wing," Bleess said. He said Red Wing has a lot of oppor-

tunities, and it is close to many opportunities offered in the Twin Cities.

"I know youth ministry is going to be my focus, but there are other things I'd like to explore," he said.

Bleess is not the only Wartburg student who found a post-graduation job early in the year. Todd Nelson, a senior accounting major, will begin as a certified public accountant (CPA) position at Deloitte and Touche L.L.P., a large accounting firm in Davenport, Iowa, in September.

The major resources he used in his job search were "personal contacts for referral," he said.

Nelson said he also used the Iowa Private College Career Consortium (IPCCC), a service offered through the CDC. "That's how I got my interviews with the larger CPA firms," he said.

In preparation for the job search, Nelson said, "I've done two internships, and I did a summer work experience."

Business communications was one of the classes at Wartburg that Nelson said helped significantly in his job search. He said students in the class write resumes and partici-

pate in mock interviews. Nelson had mock interviews through the CDC as well.

He offered advice on how to prepare for a job interview.

"As you get interviews, it's good to research the companies," said Nelson.

He said he thinks the most important things about interviewing are confidence and knowledge of the company. Don't be modest, he said, and let the interviewer know that you enjoy being there.

"I had five initial interviews and probably three call-backs," he said.

Nelson said he began looking for jobs in late October and found a position in early November, but he said he started making a list of

possible employers during the summer.

"It's very time-consuming, but if you put a lot of time into it at the beginning it's less stressful," said Nelson. "I recommend starting early. Always make contacts and remember people."

Nelson said that some fields are easier to find jobs in than others, but he said not to give up and not to get discouraged.

In terms of Nelson's post-graduate job, he said, "I'm looking forward to it." He said he expects to stay with the firm for two or three years and then evaluate his position.

Heather Shafland is another Wartburg student who is currently in the process of searching for a job in her field. Shafland is a senior international business major and Spanish minor.

"Last summer I started working on my resume," said Shafland.

Since then she said she's been to the CDC for help many times. According to Shafland, one of the best job search sources she found there was a magazine called *Job Choices*.

The magazine provides students with information on where to send resumes,

what national companies are hiring, and what career opportunities are available for liberal arts graduates in various fields.

Shafland said she first became interested in a business major when she worked in retail during high school, and she said she has always like to travel.

"I went to Japan for a year last year,"



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STARTING EARLY IS KEY—Todd Nelson found a job in October and will work as a certified public accountant in Davenport, beginning in September.

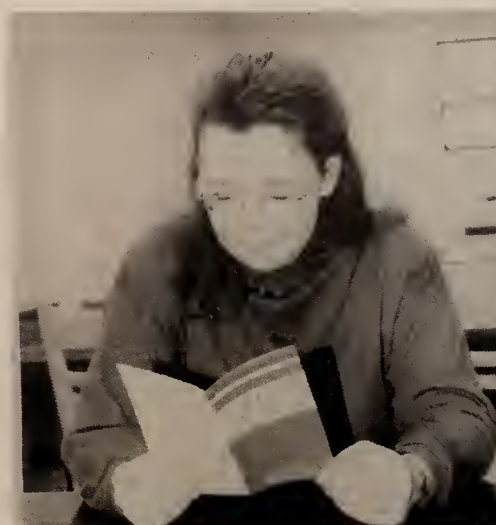
said Shafland. She said she learned a lot about the Japanese culture and language and thinks that she might someday work in that part of the world.

Shafland said she recommends studying abroad not only for the career experience, but for experience in general, and she said it is experience that most employers look for.

"It changes your perspective on life," Shafland said.

Shafland's work study job also offers her some international business experience in her position as Wartburg's International Student Liaison, which is a job that will open once she graduates this spring.

As an international student liaison, Shafland said her job is to help integrate the international students into an American college and help them build relationships with other students.



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LOOKING FOR TIPS—Heather Shafland, an international business major, will pursue Asian studies and look for foreign work.

After graduation, Shafland's plans involve continuing her Asian studies education on a graduate level and possibly getting a job in a foreign country.

"I hope to start working right after graduation," said Shafland.

In terms of advice to other students, Shafland said, "Start early, have a lot of people read your resume, and introduce yourself to people."

Job search resources offered through the CDC

Iowa Private College Career Consortium (IPCCC)

•Offers seniors opportunities to interview with various companies

Career Resource Library

•Books and videos on different majors, job searching, general career information, interviewing tips, portfolios, tips for future educators

•All available for overnight check-out

Directories:

•Telephone books, maps and directories of companies, professional associations, graduate schools, Iowa public schools, U.S. public schools, etc.

Job Postings:

•Job openings are listed in binders by major

•Most updated weekly

•Classified ads from Iowa and major cities

The Calling:

•An online job posting found on the Internet through the Wartburg home page

•Updated daily

Mock Interviews:

•Waverly community professionals are invited to campus to help students practice interviewing two times each year. •Education majors have the opportunity once per year

•The next non-education mock interview date is March 19

Alumnet:

•A list of Wartburg graduates who have expressed interest in helping current students in different stages, including informational interviews, internships, and summer jobs

• Updated annually

Company Information Files and Videos:

•Company profiles and brochures

Additional Files:

•Volunteer and government organization information

Graduate School Information:

•Catalogs, videos and information on graduate schools, listed by state

•Informational booklets on MCAT, LSAT, GMAT

•Practice test on computer

Summer Job Files:

•Information on summer camps and summer jobs, listed by state

Internship Files:

•Information on internships in Iowa and throughout the country

•Search database, binder and file folder

•Updated annually

Resume and Credential File Seminars:

•Conducted by Will Smith, director of the CDC

•Instructions on going about writing resumes and setting up credential files

Career Education Advisers:

•Available to critique resumes and letters, set up credential files, assist with locating information, conduct mock interviews with students and introduce students to the CDC

Additional Informational Sessions:

•Weekly hour-long seminars conducted by Career Education Advisers

•Examples include "Letters in the job search," "Summer jobs"

Artist Series hosts New Orleans jazz band

by Travis Graven
Staff Writer

The critically acclaimed "best jazz band in the land" is coming from New Orleans to Neumann Auditorium.

Preservation Hall Jazz Band takes the stage Wednesday, Feb. 4, at 8 p.m. as part of Wartburg's Artist Series. Tickets are available at the Visitors Center information desk.

Established in 1961, the band is one of three that are regularly featured at Preservation Hall in the heart of New Orleans' French Quarter.

The band consists of seven instrumentalists playing the trombone, clarinet, banjo, piano, string bass, drums and trumpet.

New Orleans jazz, the style performed by Preservation Hall Jazz Band, originated in the early part of this century. The tempo is a shade slower than other jazz forms, and greatness lays in the musical simplicity and improvisation.

Fans say the band probably has never played a tune the same way twice.

Playing a variety of stomps, marches, ballads, blues and rags, Preservation Hall Jazz Band pleases audiences both young and old, according to *The Greenville News'* Mark Britt.

The musicians do not know what they will play from concert to concert, besides the opening and closing numbers. As the show progresses, the musicians decide what will come next, based on their tal-



Photo courtesy of Preservation Hall, New Orleans

NATIVE HABITAT—The Preservation Hall Jazz Band from New Orleans will perform at Wartburg Feb. 4.

ent for sizing up each individual audience.

No Preservation Hall Jazz Band concert is complete without the traditional closing number "When the

Saints Go Marching In."

Preservation Hall Jazz Bands have been touring the United States and abroad for 25 years. They have six recordings available.

Comedian featured tonight in Legends



ERIC O'SHEA

by Laura Hagemann
Staff Writer

Remember those awkward adolescent years, when every moment was embarrassing? Tonight at 8 in Legends, comedian Eric O'Shea will bring back those memories with his comedy routine. The show is free to the public.

The comic abilities of O'Shea were

discovered by Campus Activities Board (CAB) President Meloyne Wimbley at the fall meeting of the National Association of Campus Activities (NACA).

"At NACA we observed different entertainment acts that perform for colleges," said junior John Martin, comedy and variety entertainment chair for CAB.

"O'Shea will appeal to students

because he is going to make fun of our youth, which is funny in the first place," Martin said.

One of the popular things in O'Shea's performances is his portrayal of the Seinfeld cast. O'Shea adds his own twist; he portrays them as if they were in kindergarten.

He also talks about family reunions, shopping with Mom and sibling squabbles.

Rival rematch
First Year Council is sponsoring a trip to the men's and women's Wartburg vs. Luther basketball games Friday at Luther. Cost is \$3 and includes transportation and admission to the games. Students can sign up starting today outside the Caf.

Tickets on sale
The Wartburg College Wind Ensemble and the Wartburg Choir will present a benefit concert for Lutheran Social Services of Iowa (LSS) March 20 at the Paramount Theatre in Cedar Rapids. Ticket sales start today. Cost is \$10. Call 1-800-772-2085 extension 8286 for more information.

Duo to play
Acoustic folk duo Matt Hibbard and Charlie Rod will perform Saturday in Legends. Hibbard, a '97 Wartburg graduate, and Rod, a senior, recently released a new CD, *Second Whisper*.

Celebrate Diversity

Global and Multicultural Studies is sponsoring a trip to Central College, Pella, Iowa for their Diversity Day, Thursday, Feb. 12

Open to Wartburg students, faculty and staff on a first come, first serve basis. Deadline to register is Friday, January 30, 4 p.m. Call GMCS Office at 8427 to register. GMCS will cover transportation costs and lunch. There is no registration fee. We will leave at 6:30 a.m. and return to campus around 9:00 p.m. (Students must have professors' permission to miss classes.)

Sessions Include:

Life and work of Lise Meitner, early female physicist
Diversity in Mathematics
Nonverbal Communication
Sexual Orientation: A Christian Perspective
Living with a Disability
Introduction to Romania
Library Censorship Issues
Current Issues in French Society
Cultural Significance of 19th Century Folk Art in Norway & the Netherlands
White Men Can't Jump..But They Can Change a Culture
Religion Panel-Islamic, Buddhist and Jewish Faiths
Case Study of Migrant Workers in North Central Iowa
Diverse Poetry-African-American, Mexican-American and Abenaki & Slovakian-American
Understanding Diversity Through Study Abroad
What is Gendered Language and Why Does It Matter?
Refugee Panel
Student's Learning Experience About Diversity in Des Moines
Music of Sub-Saharan Africa
Culture Clash-Japanese/American Interactions
Three Contemporary American Poets: Linda Hogan, Li-Young Lee, Yusef Komunyakaa
Waldorf College's East African Initiative
Apocalyptic Visions of African Independence
French-Speaking Canadians: A Fragile Minority
The Laotian Experience-Refugees in Pella, Iowa
Ideological Diversity
Story of Rosalind Franklin, Women in Science, Then and Now
Students' Learning Experience in China
Who Shall Live and Who Shall Die-Values and Biases
Music of Duke Ellington, John Coltrane, Thedonius Monk - their influence on art

Player Profile: Casey Christensen

Hometown:
Riceville, Iowa

High School:
Riceville High School

Family:
Parents Fay and Merlin, older brothers Kelly and Kurt, older sister Colleen and younger brother Craig

Major:
Elementary education

Favorite Food:
Lasagna

Favorite TV Show:
Cheers

Favorite Movie:
The Star Wars Trilogy

Favorite Actor:
Chris Farley

Favorite Quote:
"It ain't no big deal" —Head Wrestling Coach Jim Miller

Hobbies:
Biking, working out and hanging out with friends

What brought you to Wartburg?
"The friendly people here and the strong academics."

Biggest Thrill:
"Going to Israel in 1996."

Scariest Moment:
"Getting picked up by the cops."

Most Embarrassing Moment:
"In high school I got 'depantsed' in front of a female teacher."

Future plans:
"I'm getting married to Heidi Fritcher. I hope to do some traveling and start looking for a job."

Words of Wisdom:
"Don't take life too seriously."



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WRESTLING

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and the meet but nonetheless was duly impressed. "It was a good meet. Casey had a good match. That probably broke their back. I'm sure they were planning on winning that one."

Other winners included Casey Doyle at 126, Nick Mitchell at 134 and Josh Dodd at 190.

The shut-out victory followed two other big victories for the Knights last week.

Wartburg traveled to Stevens Point, Wis., on Wednesday to pick up a relatively easy 24-12 win, and then

came home Thursday night to crush conference foe Coe College, 40-3.

Results

Wartburg 49, Ohio Northern 0

118-Zac Weiglein (W) pin Matt Gray, 1:49; 126-Casey Doyle (W) dec. Jon Saylor, 9-7; 134-Nick Mitchell (W) dec. Matt Jordan, 10-0; 142-Ben Shane (W) tech. fall Ben Gammie, 15-0 4:00; 150-Casey Christensen (W) dec. Joe Maiani, 11-7; 158-Mike Rupe (W) pin Mike Martig, 2:09; 167-Ben Jobgen (W) pin Travis Smith, 4:53; 177-Chris Ortner (W) pin Chad Dilbone, :25; 190-Josh Dodd (W) dec. Paul Grigsby, 17-5; HWT-Matt Powelka (W) pin Jamie Dishong, 5:14.

Wartburg 40, Coe College 3

118-Jay Bollman (W) pin Eric Casey, 4:59;

126-Ryan Friedrich (W) dec. Jason Palmer, 10-3; 134-Nick Mitchell (W) pin Pete Frigo, 4:54; 142-Ben Shane (W) dec. Drew Achenbach 18-15; 150-Casey Christensen (W) dec. Marcus Kurtz, 3-1; 158-Jeremy Kulbartz (C) dec. Mike Rupe, 3-1; 167-Ben Jobgen (W) dec. Zak Gordon, 9-5; 177-Chris Ortner (W) pin Andy Hayes, 4:08; 190-Matt Buskohl (W) win by forfeit; HWT-Kris O'Rear (W) dec. Chris Miller, 14-1.

Wartburg 24, UW-Stevens Point 12

118-Zac Weiglein (W) dec. Corey Baner, 11-0; 126-Casey Doyle (W) dec. Chad Zdzancezewicz, 5-4; 134-Jaime Hegland (SP) dec. Nick Mitchell, 2-1; 142-Ross Buchinger (SP) dec. Ben Shane, 12-11; 150-Casey Christensen (W) dec. Mike Carlson, O.T. 3-2; 158-Mike Rupe (W) dec. Bob Weix, 3-2; 167-Ben Jobgen (W) dec. Wes Kapping, 9-3; 177-Chris Ortner (W) major dec. Tim Prosen, 18-7; 190-Josh Dodd (W) major dec. Ben Kureck, 17-6; HWT-Perry Miller (SP) pin Matt Powelka, 2:50.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

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Knights, making all 11 of her attempts and leading the Knights with 26 points. Phillmann followed with 15, and Vrba and Donohue scored 12 and 10 points, respectively.

"It was a fun game, and it gave us confidence," said Phillmann.

"These two wins were pretty big for us because they were both on the road, which adds difficulty.

The conference standings are close and we were able to hold our position," said Hinrichs.

The Knights will have a tough week next week facing three tough opponents in Buena Vista, Luther and Dubuque.

Junior co-captain Emily Bailey said the Knights are especially looking for a win against second-ranked Buena Vista.

"This will be a big week for us. Three wins would be nice, and I think we have a good chance," said Bailey.

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BASKETBALL

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The Knights then scored the next eight points when the game became a battle. The Knights trailed at half-time 39-36.

The Knights seemed to turn it up a notch as they scored 45 second-half points compared to the Statesmen's 28 points.

"We just started to execute in the second half,"

said Nielsen.

Monte Mister of William Penn had the game high with 19 points.

Nielsen and Morrison each wound up with 15 points, while Wheeler and Thad Peck had 11 and 10, respectively, for the Knights.

The two victories on the weekend for the Knights give them a 5-5 conference record and 8-7 overall.

"These two wins really help our confidence going into this week. We know

we can beat anybody if we execute," said Nielsen.

The Knights have a tough schedule ahead of them as they play three games this week.

Tuesday they play at home against Buena Vista.

Friday they travel to Decorah for a rematch against arch-rival Luther.

The Knights end the week at home on Saturday against Dubuque.

All games are women's and men's double-headers. Men's tip-off time is 8 p.m.

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SPORTS

Wartburg grapplers pin competition

by Jason Crooks
Staff Writer

Total domination. These words aptly described the Wartburg wrestling team's performance last week.

The Knights plowed through three meets in three days, easily defeating all their opponents by a combined team score of 113-15.

The Knights also won 26 of 30 matches during that span.

On Friday, Knights Gymnasium opened its doors for an unranked Ohio Northern team.

The Polar Bears brought a 1-5 dual meet record to the match, with only four wrestlers having winning marks. None left with any better marks as Wartburg blanked the Bears, 49-0.

It didn't take long to see that the night would belong to Wartburg.

Pinning your opponent seemed to be the theme, and 118-pound fireball Zac Weiglein started off right for the Waverly wrestlers, sticking Matt Gray in just 1:49.

Senior Mike Rupe at 158, Ben Jobgen at 167, Chris Ortner at 177 and

Heavyweight Matt Powelka all followed Weiglein's lead and gained falls for the Knights.

Excluding Ortner, each man built a large lead before ending his match with the fall.

Ortner, a nationally-ranked returning All-American, easily had the shortest match of the night.

He took Ohio Northern's 177-pounder Chad Dilbone off his feet and onto the mat just 16 seconds after the first-period whistle.

Nine seconds after Ortner wrenched Dilbone to his back, Dilbone was finished for the evening.

Perhaps the most exciting and dominating match of the night saw Wartburg's Ben Shane trounce Northern's Ben Gammie 15-0, after just four minutes.

Shane, a transfer from Iowa State, used an unusual technique to flip his opponent from his feet to his back in the first period.

Not quite getting the fall there, Shane continued his thrashing by exposing Gammie's back to the mat thrice more in the first and second periods. This added



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KNIGHT IN CONTROL— Wartburg freshman Ryan Friedrich tangles with Jason Palmer of Coe Thursday night in Knights Gymnasium. Friedrich defeated Palmer 10-3 as he helped the Knights pound the Kohawks 40-3. Wartburg will wrestle next at the Cornell Dual Thursday in Mt. Vernon.

eight more near fall points to his score and ended the match at the four-minute mark.

Wartburg Coach Jim Miller had some high praise for Shane. "He needs some more mat time, but he has great potential. We're really excited about him."

Excitement was also

provided by Wartburg's 150-pound senior Casey Christensen.

Christensen, filling in for the injured Ryan Hess, went up against a very tough opponent in the Bears' Joe Maiani.

Maiani not only sported Ohio Northern's best record at 13-4, but also placed with All-American

honors the last two years at the National Tournament.

Christensen lead the whole match up until just one minute remained when Maiani took him down to knot the score at seven.

Maiani then let Christensen escape and Maiani got the winning takedown. But instead, Christensen stepped

around Maiani's last-second shot to get a takedown of his own, sealing the match, the upset victory and perhaps the Polar Bears' only hopes for a win.

Coach Jim Miller had few words on the match

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Knights ends three game losing streak

Knights come back with action-packed wins over Dubuque and William Penn.

by Andrew Logue
Staff Writer

Despite the loss of starter Andy Klemesrud who is out with a torn arch, the Knights ended their three game losing streak by beating Dubuque 68-65 and William Penn 81-67 this weekend.

In both games the

Knights trailed at halftime, 34-32 to Dubuque and 39-36 to William Penn.

Even though the Knights struggled from the charity stripe, shooting just under 60 percent, they managed to pull out the victory in a very physical game against Dubuque on Friday night.

"We hit a couple of key shots down the stretch," said B.J. Supple.

"Persistence and hard work helped us win," said Dave Nielsen.

For the Dubuque Spartans, Keith Parris led all scorers with 25 points, and Bill Powell contributed with 13 rebounds.

Ryan Shultz lead the Knights with 16 points. Patrick Morrison, Neilsen and Matt Wheeler each had 12 points, and Rich Kloster ended up with 10.

Saturday night William Penn started the game off right by scoring the first nine points of the game before Wartburg called a 20

second timeout to settle things down.

"These two wins really help our confidence going into this week. We know we can beat anybody if we execute."

—Dave Nielsen guard

"We started off slow as usual, but we hit a couple of three-pointers to bring us back in the game," said Supple.

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BASKETBALL

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Wartburg takes two

by Maggie Cousin
Staff Writer

The Knights women's basketball team was unstoppable last weekend, defeating William Penn 64-59 and University of Dubuque 101-43.

"Saturday night's win against William Penn was important because we lost to them late last season (last year)," said Head Coach Monica Severson.

Wartburg shot only 33 percent from the field in the first half finding themselves down by one, 30-29, at the half, but came back shooting 50 percent from the field in the second half.

"We shot the ball better down the stretch for a lead and made a lot of baskets," said Severson.

Severson said she was pleased with the balance in scoring. Jenni Donohue, Kayah-Bah Phillmann, Jill Baethke and Sarah Hinrichs each provided double figures for the Knights win.

Freshman Donohue led the Knights with 14 points. Phillmann, Baethke and Hinrichs scored 12, 11 and 10 points, respectively.

Hinrichs, a junior, said the Knights came into the William Penn game excited after the big win at Dubuque, but knew it would be a tough game.

"We played as a team and came out on top," said Hinrichs.

"We did a good job of getting them into fouls, but we could have shot better from

the line. It was close the entire game, and in a close game free throws can make the decision," said Severson.

Wartburg shot 61 percent from the line and was out-rebounded by the Statesmen 48-26.

"We played as a team and came out on top."

—Sarah Hinrichs guard

Friday night, the Spartans of Dubuque seemed to be no match for the Wartburg women as they were victorious dominating the Spartans by a 58-point margin.

Severson said she was pleased with the women's intensity. "The girls came out ready to play. It was a night where everything we shot went in. Dubuque didn't do a lot and we shot the ball well."

The Knights shot 59 percent from the field, having four players, Baethke, Phillmann, Mary Jo Vrba and Donohue, score in double figures.

Baethke, a junior, was perfect for the

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

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